

Higher National Group Award Graded Unit Specification

General Information for Centres

This group award Graded Unit has been validated as part of the Interactive Multimedia Creation. Centres are required to develop the assessment instrument in accordance with this validated specification. Centres wishing to use another type of group award Graded Unit or assessment instrument are required to submit proposals detailing the justification for change for validation.

Group Award Graded Unit Title: Interactive Multimedia Creation:
Group Award Graded Unit 1

Group Award Graded Unit Code: DE36 34

Type of Group Award Graded Unit: Examination

Assessment Instrument: Closed book question paper

Credit value: 1 HN Credit at SCQF level 7: (8 SCQF credit points at SCQF level 7)

**SCQF credit points are used to allocate credit to qualifications in the Scottish Credit and Qualifications Framework (SCQF). Each qualification in the Framework is allocated a number of SCQF credit points at an SCQF level. There are 12 SCQF levels, ranging from Access 1 to Doctorates.*

Purpose: This group award Graded Unit is designed to provide evidence that the candidate has achieved the following principal aims of the HNC Interactive Multimedia Creation:

- Develop knowledge and skills in analysis and synthesis
- Develop study and research skills
- Prepare candidates for progression to further study in multimedia or a related discipline.

Recommended Prior Knowledge and Skills: It is recommended that the candidate should have completed or be in the process of completing the following Units relating to these specific aims prior to undertaking this group award Graded Unit:

- DE2Y 34 Multimedia Fundamentals – 2 HN credits
- DE34 34 User Interface Development – 1 HN credit
- DE2W 34 Graphics for Creative Multimedia Design – 2 HN credits
- D7LR 34 Writing for the Media – 1 HN credit OR
- D77G 34 Communication: Practical Skills – 1 HN credit

General Information for Centres (cont)

Core Skills: There are no Core Skills embedded in this group award Graded Unit specification. However there may be opportunities to gather evidence towards core skills in this unit.

Assessment: This examination-based group award Graded Unit is a closed book question paper. It will consist of a written examination of three hours.

Administrative Information

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Special Needs: This group award Graded Unit specification is intended to ensure that there are no artificial barriers to learning or assessment. Special needs of individual candidates should be taken into account when planning learning experiences, selecting assessment instruments or considering special alternative assessment arrangements. For information on these, please refer to the SQA document *Guidance on Special Assessment Arrangements* (December 2001, AA0645/3).

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Higher National Group Award Graded Unit specification: Instructions for designing the assessment task and assessing candidates

Group Award Graded Unit Title: Interactive Multimedia Creation: Group Award Graded Unit 1

Conditions of Assessment

The assessment is based on a closed book question paper written examination lasting three hours. The grade given will reflect the candidate's achievement on the first assessment event. A candidate may wish to retake the group award Graded Unit but this should be based on a significantly different examination.

The examination should be unseen and the assessment should be conducted in controlled and invigilated conditions.

Instructions for designing the assessment task:

The examination should be designed to assess the candidate's critical knowledge and understanding of the topics relating to the specific aims which this group award Graded Unit is designed to cover. The questions and corresponding marks should be designed in accordance with the ranges indicated in the table that follows. However, the overall total mark for the examination is 100.

| Topic | Level of knowledge/ understanding | Weighting/ Mark Allocation |
|----------------------------------|---|-------------------------------|
| Section 1 | | |
| Multimedia Fundamentals | State, identify, describe, select | 12% |
| User Interface Development | State, identify, describe, select | 8% |
| Graphics for Creative Multimedia | State, identify, describe, select | 12% |
| Writing for the Media | State, identify, describe, select | 8% |
| Section 2 | | |
| Multimedia Fundamentals | Illustrate, explain, categorise, summarise, compare, test, evaluate | 20% |
| User Interface Development | Select, compare, categorise, evaluate, describe, explain, summarise | 10% |
| Graphics for Creative Multimedia | Describe, explain, plan, compare, test, design | 20% |
| Writing for the Media | Describe, explain, illustrate, give examples | 10% |
| TOTAL for Paper | | 100% |

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The examination will be marked out of 100. Assessors will aggregate the marks achieved by the candidate to arrive at an overall mark for the examination. Assessors will then assign a grade to the candidate for this group award Graded Unit based on the following grade boundaries:

- ◆ A = 70% – 100%
- ◆ B = 60% – 69%
- ◆ C = 50% – 59%